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***"AN ACT CONCERNING AUTHORIZATION OF STATE GRANT
COMMITMENTS FOR SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECTS AND
CONCERNING CHANGES TO THE STATUTES CONCERNING
SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECTS."***

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Subdivision (3) of section 10-282 of the general statutes is
4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
5 *1, 2014*):

6 (3) "School building project", except as used in section 10-289, means
7 (A) the construction, purchase, extension, replacement, renovation or
8 major alteration of a building to be used for public school purposes,
9 including the equipping and furnishing of any such construction,
10 purchase, extension, replacement, renovation or major alteration, the
11 improvement of land therefor, or the improvement of the site of an
12 existing building for public school purposes, but shall not include the

13 cost of a site, except as provided in subsection (b) of section 10-286d;
14 (B) the construction and equipping and furnishing of any such
15 construction of any building which the towns of Norwich, Winchester
16 and Woodstock may provide by lease or otherwise for use by the
17 Norwich Free Academy, Gilbert School and Woodstock Academy,
18 respectively, in furnishing education for public school pupils under the
19 provisions of section 10-34; and (C) the addition to, renovation of and
20 equipping and furnishing of any such addition to or renovation of any
21 building which may be leased, upon the approval of the Commissioner
22 of Education or the Commissioner of Administrative Services, to any
23 local or regional board of education for a term of twenty years or more
24 for use by such local or regional board in furnishing education of
25 public school pupils;

26 Sec. 502. Subsection (a) of section 10-283 of the 2014 supplement to
27 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
28 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

29 (a) (1) Each town or regional school district shall be eligible to apply
30 for and accept grants for a school building project as provided in this
31 chapter. Any town desiring a grant for a public school building project
32 may, by vote of its legislative body, authorize the board of education of
33 such town to apply to the Commissioner of [Education]
34 Administrative Services and to accept or reject such grant for the town.
35 Any regional school board may vote to authorize the supervising agent
36 of the regional school district to apply to the Commissioner of
37 [Education] Administrative Services for and to accept or reject such
38 grant for the district. Applications for such grants under this chapter
39 shall be made by the superintendent of schools of such town or
40 regional school district on the form provided and in the manner
41 prescribed by the Commissioner of Administrative Services. The
42 application form shall require the superintendent of schools to affirm
43 that the school district considered the maximization of natural light,
44 the use and feasibility of wireless connectivity technology and, on and
45 after July 1, 2014, the school safety infrastructure standards, developed
46 by the School Safety Infrastructure Council, pursuant to section 10-

47 292r, in projects for new construction and alteration or renovation of a
48 school building. The Commissioner of [Education] Administrative
49 Services shall review each grant application for a school building
50 project for compliance with educational requirements and on the basis
51 of categories for building projects established by the [State Board of
52 Education] Commissioner of Administrative Services in accordance
53 with this section. [, and] The Commissioner of Education shall
54 evaluate, if appropriate, whether the project will assist the state in
55 meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al.
56 v. William A. O'Neill, et al. [, provided] The Commissioner of
57 Administrative Services shall consult with the Commissioner of
58 Education in reviewing grant applications submitted for purposes of
59 subsection (a) of section 10-65 or section 10-76e [shall be reviewed
60 annually by the commissioner] on the basis of the educational needs of
61 the applicant. [The Commissioner of Education shall forward each
62 application and the category that the Commissioner of Education has
63 assigned to each such project in accordance with subdivision (2) of this
64 subsection to the Commissioner of Administrative Services not later
65 than August thirty-first of each fiscal year.] The Commissioner of
66 Administrative Services shall review each grant application for a
67 school building project for compliance with standards for school
68 building projects pursuant to regulations, adopted in accordance with
69 section 10-287c, and, on and after July 1, 2014, the school safety
70 infrastructure standards, developed by the School Safety Infrastructure
71 Council pursuant to section 10-292r. Notwithstanding the provisions of
72 this chapter, the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical
73 Colleges on behalf of Quinebaug Valley Community College and
74 Three Rivers Community College and the following entities that will
75 operate an interdistrict magnet school that will assist the state in
76 meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al.
77 v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as determined by the Commissioner of
78 Education, may apply for and shall be eligible to receive grants for
79 school building projects pursuant to section 10-264h for such a school:
80 (A) The Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on
81 behalf of a regional community-technical college, (B) the Board of

82 Trustees of the Connecticut State University System on behalf of a state
83 university, (C) the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut
84 on behalf of the university, (D) the board of governors for an
85 independent college or university, as defined in section 10a-37*, or the
86 equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent college or
87 university, (E) cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a,
88 and (F) any other third-party not-for-profit corporation approved by
89 the Commissioner of Education.

90 (2) The Commissioner of Education shall assign each school
91 building project to a category on the basis of whether such project is
92 primarily required to: (A) Create new facilities or alter existing
93 facilities to provide for mandatory instructional programs pursuant to
94 this chapter, for physical education facilities in compliance with Title
95 IX of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1972 where such
96 programs or such compliance cannot be provided within existing
97 facilities or for the correction of code violations which cannot be
98 reasonably addressed within existing program space; (B) create new
99 facilities or alter existing facilities to enhance mandatory instructional
100 programs pursuant to this chapter or provide comparable facilities
101 among schools to all students at the same grade level or levels within
102 the school district unless such project is otherwise explicitly included
103 in another category pursuant to this section; and (C) create new
104 facilities or alter existing facilities to provide supportive services,
105 provided in no event shall such supportive services include swimming
106 pools, auditoriums, outdoor athletic facilities, tennis courts,
107 elementary school playgrounds, site improvement or garages or
108 storage, parking or general recreation areas. All applications submitted
109 prior to July first shall be reviewed promptly by [the Commissioner of
110 Education, who shall forward such application to the] Commissioner
111 of Administrative Services. The Commissioner of Administrative
112 Services shall estimate the amount of the grant for which such project
113 is eligible, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-285a, as
114 amended by this act, provided an application for a school building
115 project determined by the Commissioner of Education to be a project

116 that will assist the state in meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation and
117 order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., shall have until
118 September first to submit an application for such a project and may
119 have until December first of the same year to secure and report all local
120 and state approvals required to complete the grant application. The
121 Commissioner of Administrative Services shall annually prepare a
122 listing of all such eligible school building projects listed by category
123 together with the amount of the estimated grants for such projects and
124 shall submit the same to the Governor, the Secretary of the Office of
125 Policy and Management and the General Assembly on or before the
126 fifteenth day of December, except as provided in section 10-283a, with
127 a request for authorization to enter into grant commitments. On or
128 before December thirty-first annually, the Secretary of the Office of
129 Policy and Management shall submit comments and recommendations
130 regarding each eligible project on such listing of eligible school
131 building projects to the school construction committee, established
132 pursuant to section 10-283a. Each such listing submitted after
133 December 15, 2005, until December 15, 2010, inclusive, shall include a
134 separate schedule of authorized projects which have changed in scope
135 or cost to a degree determined by the Commissioner of Education
136 once, and a separate schedule of authorized projects which have
137 changed in scope or cost to a degree determined by said commissioner
138 twice. Any such listing submitted after December 15, 2010, until
139 December 15, 2011, inclusive, shall include a separate schedule of
140 authorized projects which have changed in scope or cost to a degree
141 determined by the Commissioner of Administrative Services once, and
142 a separate schedule of authorized projects which have changed in
143 scope or cost to a degree determined by said commissioner twice. [On
144 and after] For the period beginning July 1, 2011, and ending December
145 31, 2013, each such listing shall include a report on the review
146 conducted by the Commissioner of Education of the enrollment
147 projections for each such eligible project. On and after January 1, 2014,
148 each such listing shall include a report on the review conducted by the
149 Commissioner of Administrative Services of the enrollment projections
150 for each such eligible project. For the period beginning July 1, 2006,

151 and ending June 30, 2012, no project, other than a project for a technical
152 high school, may appear on the separate schedule of authorized
153 projects which have changed in cost more than twice. On and after July
154 1, 2012, no project, other than a project for a technical high school, may
155 appear on the separate schedule of authorized projects which have
156 changed in cost more than once, except the Commissioner of
157 Administrative Services may allow a project to appear on such
158 separate schedule of authorized projects a second time if the town or
159 regional school district for such project can demonstrate that exigent
160 circumstances require such project to appear a second time on such
161 separate schedule of authorized projects. Notwithstanding any
162 provision of this chapter, no projects which have changed in scope or
163 cost to the degree determined by the Commissioner of Administrative
164 Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Education, shall be
165 eligible for reimbursement under this chapter unless it appears on such
166 list. The percentage determined pursuant to section 10-285a, as
167 amended by this act, at the time a school building project on such
168 schedule was originally authorized shall be used for purposes of the
169 grant for such project. On and after July 1, 2006, a project that was not
170 previously authorized as an interdistrict magnet school shall not
171 receive a higher percentage for reimbursement than that determined
172 pursuant to section 10-285a, as amended by this act, at the time a
173 school building project on such schedule was originally authorized.
174 The General Assembly shall annually authorize the Commissioner of
175 Administrative Services to enter into grant commitments on behalf of
176 the state in accordance with the commissioner's categorized listing for
177 such projects as the General Assembly shall determine. The
178 Commissioner of Administrative Services may not enter into any such
179 grant commitments except pursuant to such legislative authorization.
180 Any regional school district which assumes the responsibility for
181 completion of a public school building project shall be eligible for a
182 grant pursuant to subdivision (5) or (6), as the case may be, of
183 subsection (a) of section 10-286, as amended by this act, when such
184 project is completed and accepted by such regional school district.

185 (3) (A) All final calculations completed by the Department of
186 Administrative Services for school building projects shall include a
187 computation of the state grant for the school building project
188 amortized on a straight line basis over a twenty-year period for school
189 building projects with costs equal to or greater than two million dollars
190 and over a ten-year period for school building projects with costs less
191 than two million dollars. Any town or regional school district which
192 abandons, sells, leases, demolishes or otherwise redirects the use of
193 such a school building project to other than a public school use during
194 such amortization period shall refund to the state the unamortized
195 balance of the state grant remaining as of the date the abandonment,
196 sale, lease, demolition or redirection occurs. The amortization period
197 for a project shall begin on the date the project was accepted as
198 complete by the local or regional board of education. A town or
199 regional school district required to make a refund to the state pursuant
200 to this subdivision may request forgiveness of such refund if the
201 building is redirected for public use. The Department of
202 Administrative Services shall include as an addendum to the annual
203 school construction priority list all those towns requesting forgiveness.
204 General Assembly approval of the priority list containing such request
205 shall constitute approval of such request. This subdivision shall not
206 apply to projects to correct safety, health and other code violations or
207 to remedy certified school indoor air quality emergencies approved
208 pursuant to subsection (b) of this section or projects subject to the
209 provisions of section 10-285c.

210 (B) Any moneys refunded to the state pursuant to subparagraph (A)
211 of this subdivision shall be deposited in the state's tax-exempt
212 proceeds fund and used not later than sixty days after repayment to
213 pay debt service on, including redemption, defeasance or purchase of,
214 outstanding bonds of the state the interest on which is not included in
215 gross income pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of
216 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the
217 United States, as from time to time amended.

218 Sec. 503. Subsection (d) of section 10-283 of the 2014 supplement to

219 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
220 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

221 (d) No application for a school building project shall be accepted by
222 the Commissioner of Education or the Commissioner of
223 Administrative Services on or after July 1, 2002, unless the applicant
224 has secured funding authorization for the local share of the project
225 costs prior to application. The reimbursement percentage for a project
226 covered by this subsection shall reflect the rates in effect during the
227 fiscal year in which such local funding authorization is secured.

228 Sec. 504. Subsection (a) of section 10-284 of the 2014 supplement to
229 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
230 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

231 (a) The Commissioner of [Education] Administrative Services shall
232 have authority to receive and review applications for state grants
233 under this chapter, and [the Commissioner of Administrative Services
234 shall have authority to review and] to approve any such application, or
235 to disapprove any such application if (1) it does not comply with the
236 requirements of the State Fire Marshal or the Department of Public
237 Health, (2) it is not accompanied by a life-cycle cost analysis approved
238 by the Commissioner of Administrative Services pursuant to section
239 16a-38, (3) it does not comply with the provisions of sections 10-290d,
240 as amended by this act, and 10-291, (4) it does not meet (A) the
241 standards or requirements established in regulations adopted in
242 accordance with section 10-287c, or (B) school building categorization
243 requirements described in section 10-283, as amended by this act, (5)
244 the estimated construction cost exceeds the per square foot cost for
245 schools established in regulations adopted by the Commissioner of
246 Administrative Services for the county in which the project is proposed
247 to be located, (6) on and after July 1, 2014, the application does not
248 comply with the school safety infrastructure standards developed by
249 the School Safety Infrastructure Council, pursuant to section 10-292r,
250 or (7) the Commissioner of Education determines that the proposed
251 educational specifications for or theme of the project for which the

252 applicant requests a state grant duplicates a program offered by a
253 technical high school or an interdistrict magnet school in the same
254 region.

255 Sec. 505. Subsection (a) of section 10-285a of the general statutes is
256 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
257 *1, 2014*):

258 (a) The percentage of school building project grant money a local
259 board of education may be eligible to receive, under the provisions of
260 section 10-286, shall be [determined] assigned by the Commissioner of
261 Administrative Services in accordance with the percentage calculated
262 by the Commissioner of Education as follows: (1) For grants approved
263 pursuant to subsection (b) of section 10-283 for which application is
264 made on and after July 1, 1991, and before July 1, 2011, (A) each town
265 shall be ranked in descending order from one to one hundred sixty-
266 nine according to such town's adjusted equalized net grand list per
267 capita, as defined in section 10-261; and (B) based upon such ranking, a
268 percentage of not less than twenty nor more than eighty shall be
269 determined for each town on a continuous scale; and (2) for grants
270 approved pursuant to subsection (b) of section 10-283 for which
271 application is made on and after July 1, 2011, (A) each town shall be
272 ranked in descending order from one to one hundred sixty-nine
273 according to such town's adjusted equalized net grand list per capita,
274 as defined in section 10-261, and (B) based upon such ranking, (i) a
275 percentage of not less than ten nor more than seventy shall be
276 determined for new construction or replacement of a school building
277 for each town on a continuous scale, and (ii) a percentage of not less
278 than twenty nor more than eighty shall be determined for renovations,
279 extensions, code violations, roof replacements and major alterations of
280 an existing school building and the new construction or replacement of
281 a school building when a town or regional school district can
282 demonstrate that a new construction or replacement is less expensive
283 than a renovation, extension or major alteration of an existing school
284 building for each town on a continuous scale.

285 Sec. 506. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10-286 of the
286 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
287 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

288 (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, and each fiscal year
289 thereafter, in the case of a new school plant, an extension of an existing
290 school building or projects involving the major alteration of any
291 existing building to be used for school purposes, the eligible
292 percentage, as determined in section 10-285a, as amended by this act,
293 of the result of multiplying together the number representing the
294 highest projected enrollment, based on data acceptable to the
295 Commissioner of [Education] Administrative Services, for such
296 building during the eight-year period from the date a local or regional
297 board of education files a notification of a proposed school building
298 project with the Department of Administrative Services, the number of
299 gross square feet per pupil determined by the Commissioner of
300 [Education] Administrative Services to be adequate for the kind of
301 educational program or programs intended, and the eligible cost of
302 such project, divided by the gross square feet of such building, or the
303 eligible percentage, as determined in section 10-285a, as amended by
304 this act, of the eligible cost of such project, whichever is less;

305 Sec. 507. Subsection (c) of section 10-286 of the general statutes is
306 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
307 *1, 2014*):

308 (c) In the computation of grants pursuant to this section for any
309 school building project authorized by the General Assembly pursuant
310 to section 10-283, as amended by this act, (1) after January 1, 1993, any
311 maximum square footage per pupil limit established pursuant to this
312 chapter or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or
313 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to this chapter
314 shall be increased by twenty-five per cent for a building constructed
315 prior to 1950; (2) after January 1, 2004, any maximum square footage
316 per pupil limit established pursuant to this chapter or any regulation
317 adopted by the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to

318 this chapter shall be increased by up to one per cent to accommodate a
319 heating, ventilation or air conditioning system, if needed; (3) for the
320 period from July 1, 2006, to June 30, 2009, inclusive, for projects with
321 total authorized project costs greater than ten million dollars, if total
322 construction change orders or other change directives otherwise
323 eligible for grant assistance under this chapter exceed five per cent of
324 the authorized total project cost, only fifty per cent of the amount of
325 such change order or other change directives in excess of five per cent
326 shall be eligible for grant assistance; and (4) after July 1, 2009, for
327 projects with total authorized project costs greater than ten million
328 dollars, if total construction change orders or other change directives
329 otherwise eligible for grant assistance exceed five per cent of the total
330 authorized project cost, such change order or other change directives
331 in excess of five per cent shall be ineligible for grant assistance.

332 Sec. 508. Section 10-290d of the general statutes is repealed and the
333 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

334 Any municipality, with the approval of the Commissioner of
335 [Education] Administrative Services, may convey any type of interest
336 in air space over land used for school purposes to a private developer
337 for residential or commercial uses or to a quasi-municipal or public
338 nonmunicipal corporation. Said conveyance shall be made upon the
339 recommendation of the chief executive officer with the approval of the
340 legislative body of the municipality.

341 Sec. 509. Subsection (a) of section 10-292q of the 2014 supplement to
342 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
343 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

344 (a) There is established a School Building Projects Advisory Council.
345 The council shall consist of: (1) The Secretary of the Office of Policy
346 and Management, or the secretary's designee, (2) the Commissioner of
347 Administrative Services, or the commissioner's designee, (3) the
348 Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee, and [(3)]
349 (4) three members appointed by the Governor, one of whom shall be a

350 person with experience in school building project matters, one of
351 whom shall be a person with experience in architecture and one of
352 whom shall be a person with experience in engineering. The
353 chairperson of the council shall be the Commissioner of
354 Administrative Services, or the commissioner's designee. A person
355 employed by the Department of Administrative Services who is
356 responsible for school building projects shall serve as the
357 administrative staff of the council. The council shall meet at least
358 quarterly to discuss matters relating to school building projects.

359 Sec. 510. Section 40 of public act 13-243 is repealed and the
360 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

361 (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general
362 statutes, as amended by this act, or any regulation adopted by the State
363 Board of Education or the Department of [Construction]
364 Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring a
365 completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30, 2012, a
366 facility purchase and extension and alteration project for R.J. Kinsella
367 Magnet School (Project Number TMP-064-VQRQ) in the town of
368 Hartford with costs not to exceed [thirty] thirty-three million dollars
369 shall be included in subdivision (1) of section 1 of [this act] public act
370 13-243 and shall subsequently be considered for a grant commitment
371 from the state, provided the town of Hartford files an application for a
372 school building project prior to June 30, [2014] 2015, meets all other
373 provisions of chapter 173 of the general statutes or any regulation
374 adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department of
375 [Construction] Administrative Services pursuant to said chapter 173
376 and is eligible for grant assistance pursuant to said chapter 173.

377 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-264h of the general
378 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or
379 the Department of [Construction] Administrative Services concerning
380 the reimbursement rate for the construction of interdistrict magnet
381 schools, the town of Hartford may use ninety-five per cent as the
382 reimbursement rate for the facility purchase and extension and

383 alteration project of an interdistrict magnet facility (Project Number
384 TMP-064-VQRQ) at the R.J. Kinsella Magnet School.

385 Sec. 511. Subsection (d) of section 3 of public act 13-243 is repealed
386 and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

387 (d) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes or any
388 special act, charter or ordinance providing that binding contracts not
389 be entered into, or bonds issued, that exceed the approved
390 appropriation, the town of Berlin may enter into binding contracts for
391 the extension and alteration and roof replacement project (Project
392 Number 007-0065 EA/RR) at Berlin High School that exceed such
393 approved appropriation, and issue bonds to fund the town's net
394 project costs, provided such binding contracts or bond issues do not
395 exceed such approved appropriation by more than fifteen million
396 dollars, and provided further that the [legislative body] town council
397 of the town of Berlin shall approve such additional appropriation on or
398 before June 30, 2014.

399 Sec. 512. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions
400 of section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any
401 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department
402 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring
403 that no project that has changed in scope or cost to the degree
404 determined by the commissioner shall be eligible for reimbursement
405 under this chapter unless it appears on the school construction priority
406 list to be considered by the General Assembly in the 2014 regular
407 legislative session, project costs for the renovation and extension
408 project at Kelly Middle School (Project Number 104-0112 RNV/E) may
409 be increased to forty-one million two hundred fifty thousand dollars
410 and shall be eligible for reimbursement under the provisions of
411 chapter 173 of the general statutes.

412 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes or any
413 special act, charter or ordinance providing that binding contracts not
414 be entered into, or bonds issued, that exceed the approved

415 appropriation, the town of Norwich may enter into binding contracts
416 for the renovation and extension project (Project Number 104-0112
417 RNV/E) at Kelly Middle School that exceed such approved
418 appropriation, and issue bonds to fund the town's net project costs,
419 provided such binding contracts or bond issues do not exceed such
420 approved appropriation by more than one million dollars, and
421 provided further that the city council of the town of Norwich shall
422 approve such additional appropriation on or before June 30, 2015.

423 Sec. 513. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions
424 of section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any
425 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department
426 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring
427 that no project that has changed in scope or cost to the degree
428 determined by the commissioner shall be eligible for reimbursement
429 under this chapter unless it appears on the school construction priority
430 list to be considered by the General Assembly in the 2014 regular
431 legislative session, project costs for the renovation and extension
432 project at Wethersfield High School (Project Number 159-0100 RNV/E)
433 may be increased to eighty-three million seven hundred ninety-four
434 thousand seven hundred nine dollars and shall be eligible for
435 reimbursement under the provisions of chapter 173 of the general
436 statutes.

437 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes or any
438 special act, charter or ordinance providing that binding contracts not
439 be entered into, or bonds issued, that exceed the approved
440 appropriation, the town of Wethersfield may enter into binding
441 contracts for the renovation and extension project (Project Number
442 159-0100 RNV/E) at Wethersfield High School that exceed such
443 approved appropriation, and issue bonds to fund the town's net
444 project costs, provided such binding contracts or bond issues do not
445 exceed such approved appropriation by more than ten million dollars,
446 and provided further that the town council of the town of Wethersfield
447 shall approve such additional appropriation on or before June 30, 2015.

448 Sec. 514. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions
449 of section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any
450 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department
451 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring
452 that no project that has changed in scope or cost to the degree
453 determined by the commissioner shall be eligible for reimbursement
454 under this chapter unless it appears on the school construction priority
455 list to be considered by the General Assembly in the 2014 regular
456 legislative session, project costs for the extension and alteration and
457 roof replacement project at Rocky Hill High School (Project Number
458 119-0049 EA/RR) may be increased to fifty million dollars and shall be
459 eligible for reimbursement under the provisions of chapter 173 of the
460 general statutes.

461 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes or any
462 special act, charter or ordinance providing that binding contracts not
463 be entered into, or bonds issued, that exceed the approved
464 appropriation, the town of Rocky Hill may enter into binding contracts
465 for the extension and alteration and roof replacement project (Project
466 Number 119-0049 EA/RR) at Rocky Hill High School that exceed such
467 approved appropriation, and issue bonds to fund the town's net
468 project costs, provided such binding contracts or bond issues do not
469 exceed such approved appropriation by more than five million forty-
470 five thousand dollars, and provided further that the town council of
471 the town of Rocky Hill shall approve such additional appropriation on
472 or before June 30, 2015.

473 Sec. 515. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
474 section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any
475 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department
476 of Administrative Services concerning eligible costs for school building
477 grant reimbursement, architectural design costs of the previously
478 designed Engineering and Science University Magnet School near the
479 University of New Haven in West Haven (Project Number 093-0357
480 MAG/NEW) shall be considered eligible for grant assistance
481 reimbursement, provided such reimbursement does not exceed

482 previously authorized grant amounts.

483 Sec. 516. Section 226 of public act 12-1 of the June special session is
484 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
485 *passage*):

486 (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 173 of the general
487 statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or
488 the Department of [Construction] Administrative Services under said
489 chapter 173 requiring a completed grant application be submitted prior
490 to June 30, 2011, and prohibiting reimbursement for costs associated
491 with the construction of outdoor athletic facilities, a new construction
492 project for Bowen Field in New Haven with costs not to exceed eleven
493 million dollars shall be included in subdivision (1) of section 1 of
494 public act 12-179, provided a complete grant application is submitted
495 prior to June 30, 2013. Such building project shall be eligible for a
496 reimbursement rate of sixty-eight and ninety-three-hundredths per
497 cent.

498 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 173 of the general
499 statutes or any regulation adopted under said chapter, the town of
500 New Haven is authorized to illuminate the athletic fields at Bowen
501 Field in an amount not to exceed six hundred thousand dollars and
502 shall be subsequently eligible for school construction grant assistance
503 provided a completed grant application is submitted to the
504 Department of [Construction] Administrative Services prior to June 30,
505 2013. The full cost of the illumination project shall be deemed eligible
506 costs for the purpose of grant calculation. The grant for construction
507 assistance shall be calculated using the same rate of reimbursement as
508 assigned to school building projects for the town of New Haven.

509 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 173 of the general
510 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or
511 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said chapter,
512 the town of New Haven may use any private, federal or state funds,
513 other than grants received under said chapter, for the purpose of

514 polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) removal for the projects described in
515 subsections (a) and (b) of this section, provided the reimbursement
516 received from such other grants related to such removal of
517 polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) shall be deducted from the total
518 project costs eligible for grant assistance under said chapter.

519 Sec. 517. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
520 section 10-283 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the
521 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services
522 pursuant to section 10-283 of the general statutes requiring a
523 completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30, 2013, a new
524 construction project for the Strong 21st Century Communications
525 Magnet School and Laboratory in the town of New Haven with costs
526 not to exceed forty-five million dollars shall be included in subdivision
527 (1) of section 1 of this act and shall subsequently be considered for a
528 grant commitment from the state with a reimbursement percentage of
529 seventy-nine and twenty-nine hundredths, provided the town of New
530 Haven files an application for a school building project prior to June
531 30, 2015, meets all other provisions of chapter 173 of the general
532 statutes and is eligible for grant assistance pursuant to chapter 173 of
533 the general statutes.

534 Sec. 518. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
535 section 10-286 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the
536 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services
537 concerning ineligible costs, ineligible costs for the new construction
538 project at the John C. Daniels School (Project Number 093-0306 N) and
539 the extension and alteration project at the Beecher School (Project
540 Number 093-0345 EA) may be subject to the waiver authority of the
541 Commissioner of Administrative Services pursuant to section 10-264h
542 of the general statutes.

543 Sec. 519. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
544 section 10-286d of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by
545 the State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative
546 Services concerning a site acquisition grant, the town of Shelton shall

547 not be responsible for returning any portion of a site acquisition grant
548 already paid to the town prior to the effective date of this section based
549 on the site acquisition costs reported to the Department of
550 Administrative Services by the town of Shelton for the new
551 construction project (Project Number 126-0074 N) at the Shelton
552 Intermediate School, and the Department of Administrative Services
553 shall not be responsible for making any further grant payments to the
554 town of Shelton for such project.

555 Sec. 520. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
556 subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10-286 of the general
557 statutes, as amended by this act, or any regulation adopted by the State
558 Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services
559 concerning projected enrollment for a school building project for
560 purposes of calculating eligible costs for a school building project
561 grant, the town of Weston may use seven hundred seventy-six as its
562 projected enrollment figure for the new construction project (Project
563 Number 157-0042 N) at the New Intermediate School.

564 Sec. 521. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions
565 of section 10-287 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by
566 the State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative
567 Services requiring that all orders and contracts for school building
568 projects be awarded to the lowest responsible qualified bidder only
569 after a public invitation to bid, the town of Union shall be reimbursed
570 for eligible project costs for a new construction project at Union
571 Elementary School (Project Number 145-0006 N).

572 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-286 of the general
573 statutes, as amended by this act, or any regulation adopted by the State
574 Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services
575 concerning eligible costs, costs incurred by the town of Union for
576 offsite improvements as part of the new construction project (Project
577 Number 145-0006 N) at Union Elementary School shall be treated as
578 eligible project costs.

579 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-286 of the general
580 statutes, as amended by this act, or any regulation adopted by the State
581 Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services
582 concerning the submission of change orders, costs for change orders
583 submitted on or before January 11, 2011, for the new construction
584 project (Project Number 145-0006 N) at Union Elementary School in
585 the town of Union shall be treated as eligible project costs.

586 Sec. 522. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
587 subsection (d) of section 10-286 of the general statutes or any
588 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department
589 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-286 requiring all
590 change orders or other change directives issued on or after July 1, 2008,
591 to be submitted not later than six months after the date of such
592 issuance, the town of Montville may submit change orders issued after
593 such six-month time limit for the project at Montville High School
594 (Project Number 086-0085 EA) for reimbursement of eligible costs from
595 the state, provided change orders have been reviewed and approved
596 the Department of Administrative Services.

597 Sec. 523. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions
598 of section 10-292 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by
599 the State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative
600 Services requiring that a bid not be let out until plans and
601 specifications have been approved by the Department of
602 Administrative Services, the town of Montville may let out for bid and
603 award contracts for communications and playground equipment for
604 the extension and alteration project (Project Number 086-0087 EA) at
605 Murphy Elementary School and shall be eligible to subsequently be
606 considered for a grant commitment from the state, provided plans and
607 specifications have been approved by the Department of
608 Administrative Services.

609 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-287 of the general
610 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or
611 the Department of Administrative Services requiring that all orders

612 and contracts for school building projects be awarded to the lowest
613 responsible qualified bidder only after a public invitation to bid, the
614 town of Montville shall be reimbursed for eligible project costs for a
615 new construction project at Murphy Elementary School (Project
616 Number 086-0087 EA).

617 Sec. 524. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions
618 of section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any
619 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department
620 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring
621 that no project that has changed in scope or cost to the degree
622 determined by the commissioner shall be eligible for reimbursement
623 under this chapter unless it appears on the school construction priority
624 list to be considered by the General Assembly in the 2014 regular
625 legislative session, project costs for the extension and alteration project
626 at West Haven High School (Project Number 156-0138 EA) may be
627 increased to one hundred thirty-two million six hundred thirty-nine
628 thousand dollars and shall be deemed to have been authorized by the
629 legislature.

630 Sec. 525. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions
631 of section 10-286 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any
632 regulations adopted by the State Board of Education or the
633 Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-286
634 concerning the calculation of grants using the state standard space
635 specifications, the town of East Hartford shall be exempt from the state
636 standard space specifications for the purpose of the calculation of the
637 grant for the alteration and energy conservation project at the East
638 Hartford Middle School (Project Number 043-0236 A/EC).

639 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-286 of the general
640 statutes, as amended by this act, or any regulation adopted by the State
641 Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services
642 pursuant to said section 10-286 concerning ineligible costs for a school
643 building project grant, costs incurred by the town of East Hartford for
644 exterior wall construction as part of the alteration and energy

645 conservation project at the East Hartford Middle School (Project
646 Number 043-0236 A/EC) shall be treated as eligible costs. Except as
647 otherwise provided in subsection (a) of this section, the provisions of
648 chapter 173 shall apply to all other costs incurred for such project.

649 Sec. 526. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
650 subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10-286 of the general
651 statutes, as amended by this act, or any regulation adopted by the State
652 Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services
653 concerning projected enrollment for a school building project for
654 purposes of calculating eligible costs for a school building project
655 grant, the town of Bloomfield may use seven hundred fourteen as its
656 projected enrollment figure for the extension and alteration and roof
657 replacement project (Project Number 011-0077 EA/RR) at Bloomfield
658 High School.

659 Sec. 527. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
660 subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10-286 of the general
661 statutes, as amended by this act, or any regulation adopted by the State
662 Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services
663 concerning projected enrollment for a school building project for
664 purposes of calculating eligible costs for a school building project
665 grant, the town of Bloomfield may use seven hundred ten as its
666 projected enrollment figure for the alteration and roof replacement
667 project (Project Number 011-0075 A/RR) at Carmen Arace Middle
668 School.

669 Sec. 528. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
670 subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10-286 of the general
671 statutes, as amended by this act, or any regulation adopted by the State
672 Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services
673 concerning projected enrollment for a school building project for
674 purposes of calculating eligible costs for a school building project
675 grant, the town of Bloomfield may use four hundred forty-four as its
676 projected enrollment figure for the extension and alteration and roof
677 replacement project (Project Number 011-0076 EA/RR) at Laurel

678 School.

679 Sec. 529. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
680 subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10-286 of the general
681 statutes, as amended by this act, or any regulation adopted by the State
682 Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services
683 concerning projected enrollment for a school building project for
684 purposes of calculating eligible costs for a school building project
685 grant, the town of Bloomfield may use three hundred forty-two as its
686 projected enrollment figure for the extension and alteration (Project
687 Number 011-0078 EA) at Metacomet Elementary School.

688 Sec. 530. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
689 section 10-286 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any
690 regulations adopted by the State Board of Education or the
691 Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-286
692 concerning the calculation of grants using the state standard space
693 specifications, the town of Clinton shall be exempt from the state
694 standard space specifications for the purpose of the calculation of the
695 grant for the new construction project at the Morgan School (Project
696 Number 027-0061 N).

697 Sec. 531. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
698 section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any
699 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department
700 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring
701 that the description of a project type for a school building project be
702 made at the time of application for a school building project grant, the
703 town of Plainville may expand the description of the extension and
704 alteration project (Project Number 110-0057 EA) at Linden Street
705 School to include demolition costs not to exceed two million four
706 hundred thousand dollars.

707 Sec. 532. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions
708 of section 10-292 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any
709 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department

710 of Administrative Services requiring that a bid not be let out until
711 plans and specifications have been approved by the Department of
712 Administrative Services, the town of New London may let out for bid
713 on and award contracts for rooftop equipment, chiller enclosure and
714 polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) removal as part of the extension and
715 alteration project of an interdistrict magnet facility Project (Project
716 Number 095-0085 MAG/EA) at Nathan Hale Magnet School and shall
717 be eligible for reimbursement, provided plans and specifications have
718 been approved by the Department of Administrative Services.

719 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (4) of subsection
720 (c) of section 10-286 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or
721 any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the
722 Department of Administrative Services limiting the amount of grant
723 assistance for a project when the total eligible construction change
724 orders or other change directives exceed five per cent of the authorized
725 total project cost to fifty per cent of the amount of such change order or
726 other change directive in excess of five per cent, the town of New
727 London shall be reimbursed at the project's reimbursement rate for the
728 full eligible costs of construction change orders or other change
729 directives for the extension and alteration project of an interdistrict
730 magnet facility Project (Project Number 095-0085 MAG/EA) at Nathan
731 Hale Magnet School.

732 Sec. 533. Section 30 of public act 07-249, as amended by section 23 of
733 public act 07-3 of the June special session, section 104 of public act 11-
734 57 and section 19 of public act 12-179, is repealed and the following is
735 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

736 (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of title 10 of the general statutes,
737 a local or regional school district that is a (1) district for a town (A)
738 with a population greater than twenty thousand, but not more than
739 thirty thousand, and (B) that is less than six square miles in area, in
740 which at least fifty per cent of the property is exempt from taxation
741 pursuant to chapter 203 of the general statutes, and (2) priority school
742 district pursuant to section 10-266p of the general statutes shall qualify

743 as an interdistrict magnet district.

744 (b) (1) The Commissioner of Education may designate [as many as
745 two] schools under the jurisdiction of such district as interdistrict
746 magnet schools for the purposes of section 10-264h of the general
747 statutes, provided the district submits a plan to the commissioner
748 detailing how the district will meet the enrollment requirements
749 provided for in subdivision (2) of this subsection and the
750 commissioner deems such plan reasonable. [The total grant amount for
751 projects for both schools shall not be more than ten million dollars
752 more than the grant amount such district would have otherwise
753 received for such projects pursuant to the provisions of section 10-286
754 of the general statutes.] No school in such district shall be eligible to
755 receive a grant pursuant to subsection (c) of section 10-264l of the
756 general statutes, unless such school operates as an "interdistrict
757 magnet school program", as defined in subsection (a) of said section
758 10-264l, and meets the district-wide enrollment requirements pursuant
759 to subdivision (2) of this subsection.

760 (2) Not later than three years after the reopening of the schools of
761 the interdistrict magnet school district following school construction
762 projects for such schools, reimbursed at the rate provided for in section
763 10-264h of the general statutes, the local or regional board of education
764 of such district shall, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a
765 of the general statutes, report to the joint standing committee of the
766 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education
767 on the progress of such district in enrolling students from other school
768 districts. If such district does not, on or before June 30, [2015] 2017,
769 enroll students from other districts at a rate that is at least fifteen per
770 cent of its total district-wide enrollment, such district shall be liable to
771 the state for repayment of the amount representing the difference
772 between the school building project grant received pursuant to this
773 section and section 10-264h of the general statutes, and the grant such
774 district would have otherwise received for such projects pursuant to
775 the provisions of section 10-286 of the general statutes, as amended by
776 this act.

777 (3) For purposes of this subsection, "district-wide enrollment" means
778 the total number of students enrolled in the New London public
779 schools.

780 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general
781 statutes [as amended by public act 07-249,] as amended by this act, or
782 any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education requiring a
783 completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30, 2006, or
784 subsection (d) of section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by
785 this act, or any regulation adopted by the board requiring local
786 funding authorization for the local share of project costs prior to
787 application, the projects for the local or regional school district that
788 qualifies as an interdistrict magnet school district under subsection (a)
789 of this section shall be included in subdivision (1) of section 1 of public
790 act 07-249, provided the school district secures the funding
791 authorization for the local share and files a completed grant
792 application prior to June 30, 2008, and meets all other provisions of
793 chapter 173 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the
794 State Board of Education, except as provided for in this section.

795 (d) Any school so designated by the commissioner as a magnet
796 school under this section that enrolls less than twenty-five per cent of
797 the school's students from a town outside of the school district in
798 which such school is located shall be eligible to receive a per pupil
799 grant, pursuant to subsection (c) of section 10-264l of the general
800 statutes, for each enrolled student who is not a resident of the town in
801 which such school is located.

802 Sec. 534. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions
803 of section 10-283 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by
804 the State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative
805 Services pursuant to section 10-283 of the general statutes requiring a
806 completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30, 2013, an
807 interdistrict magnet facility project for the New London Magnet School
808 for the Visual and Performing Arts in the town of New London with
809 costs not to exceed thirty-one million dollars shall be included in

810 subdivision (1) of section 1 of this act and shall subsequently be
811 considered for a grant commitment from the state, provided the town
812 of New London files an application for a school building project prior
813 to June 30, 2015, meets all other provisions of chapter 173 of the
814 general statutes and is eligible for grant assistance pursuant to chapter
815 173 of the general statutes, except that the Commissioner of
816 Administrative Services may waive any requirements in such chapter
817 for good cause.

818 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-264h of the general
819 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or
820 the Department of Administrative Services concerning the
821 reimbursement rate for the construction of interdistrict magnet
822 schools, the town of New London may use ninety-five per cent as the
823 reimbursement rate for the interdistrict magnet facility project at the
824 New London Magnet School for the Visual and Performing Arts,
825 provided the board of education for New London, the board of
826 directors for the Garde Arts Center and the Commissioners of
827 Education and Administrative Services enter into a memorandum of
828 understanding establishing the parameters in which the New London
829 Magnet School for the Visual and Performing Arts shall operate as an
830 interdistrict magnet school.

831 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 173 of the general
832 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or
833 the Department of Administrative Services, the town of New London
834 may use any private, federal or state grants, other than grants received
835 pursuant to chapter 173 of the general statutes, as the local share of the
836 project costs for the interdistrict magnet facility project at the New
837 London Magnet School for the Visual and Performing Arts, and such
838 funds shall not be deducted from the grant received under chapter 173
839 of the general statutes.

840 (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-286 of the general
841 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or
842 the Department of Administrative Services concerning eligible costs,

843 costs incurred for reasonable and necessary construction to the Garde
844 Arts Center shall be included in the interdistrict magnet facility project
845 at the New London Magnet School for the Visual and Performing Arts
846 and shall be considered eligible for reimbursement at the
847 reimbursement percentage for such interdistrict magnet facility
848 project.

849 (e) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-286 of the general
850 statutes or any regulations adopted by the State Board of Education or
851 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to section 10-286
852 of the general statutes concerning the calculation of grants using the
853 state standard space specifications, the town of New London shall be
854 exempt from the state standard space specifications for the purpose of
855 the calculation of the grant for the interdistrict magnet facility project
856 at the New London Magnet School for the Visual and Performing Arts.

857 Sec. 535. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
858 section 10-286 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any
859 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department
860 of Administrative Services concerning ineligible costs for a school
861 building project grant, all project costs, except interest costs, incurred
862 for the extension and alteration project at the Multicultural Magnet
863 School (Project Number 245-0084 MAG/E) shall be treated as eligible
864 project costs and LEARN shall be responsible for the repayment of any
865 grant payments for interest costs.

866 Sec. 536. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
867 subdivision (1) of section 1 of this act, the town of Putnam may use
868 seventy-three and twenty-one hundredths per cent as the
869 reimbursement rate for all projects that appear on the school
870 construction priority list to be considered by the General Assembly in
871 the 2014 regular legislative session.

872 Sec. 537. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
873 section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any
874 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department

875 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 limiting the
876 number of times a project may be submitted to the legislature for
877 authorization due to a change in cost or scope, or requiring that no
878 such project that has changed in scope or cost to the degree
879 determined by the commissioner shall be eligible for reimbursement
880 under this chapter unless it appears on the school construction priority
881 list to be considered by the General Assembly in the 2014 regular
882 legislative session, the change in cost and scope required to provide
883 expanded furniture, furnishings, equipment and technology
884 equipment for the new construction project (Project Number 163-0071
885 MAG/N) at the Windham Magnet School shall be included in
886 subdivision (2) of section 1 of this act, provided evidence of local
887 legislative approval of the local share of funding is submitted prior to
888 June 30, 2014, and further provided the total revised project cost shall
889 not exceed forty-two million dollars.

890 Sec. 538. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions
891 of section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any
892 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department
893 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring
894 that the description of a project type for a school building project be
895 made at the time of application for a school building project grant or
896 the provisions of subdivision (18) of section 10-282 of the general
897 statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or
898 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-
899 282, the town of Hartford may change the description of the alteration,
900 roof replacement and energy conservation project (Project Number
901 064-0307 A/RR/EC) at Weaver High School to a renovation project
902 and subsequently qualify as renovation projects, as defined in
903 subdivision (18) of section 10-282 of the general statutes.

904 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-286 of the general
905 statutes, as amended by this act, or any regulations adopted by the
906 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services
907 pursuant to said section 10-286 concerning the calculation of grants
908 using the state standard space specifications, the town of Hartford

909 shall be exempt from the state standard space specifications for the
910 purpose of the calculation of the grant for the alteration, roof
911 replacement and energy conservation project at Weaver High School
912 (Project Number 064-0307 A/RR/EC).

913 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (3) of subsection
914 (a) of section 10-286 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or
915 any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the
916 Department of Administrative Services limiting reimbursement to one-
917 half of the eligible percentage of the net eligible cost of construction to
918 a town for construction, extension or major alteration of an athletic
919 facility, gymnasium or auditorium, the town of Hartford shall receive
920 full reimbursement of the eligible percentage of the net eligible cost of
921 the alteration, roof replacement and energy conservation project at
922 Weaver High School (Project Number 064-0307 A/RR/EC).

923 Sec. 539. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
924 subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10-286 of the general
925 statutes, as amended by this act, or any regulation adopted by the State
926 Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services
927 pursuant to said section 10-286 concerning the number of gross square
928 feet per pupil determined to be adequate for the kind of educational
929 program or programs intended, the town of West Hartford may use
930 eighty-six thousand eight hundred seventy-seven square feet as the
931 maximum square footage for the new construction project (Project
932 Number 155-0239 DV/N) at Charter Oak International Academy for
933 purposes of calculating eligible costs for a school project grant.

934 Sec. 540. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
935 section 10-286 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any
936 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department
937 of Administrative Services, the town of Bridgeport shall not be
938 responsible for returning any portion of a school building project grant
939 already paid to the town for any project in which an audit was
940 completed on or before June 30, 2013, and the Department of
941 Administrative Services shall not be responsible for making any

942 further grant payments to the town of Bridgeport for such projects.

943 Sec. 541. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
944 section 10-286 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any
945 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department
946 of Administrative Services concerning eligible costs for alteration
947 projects, the town of Middletown may be reimbursed for replacement
948 furniture and equipment items with costs not to exceed three hundred
949 seventy-one thousand five hundred forty-seven dollars as part of the
950 alteration and roof replacement project (Project Number 083-0105
951 A/RR) at the Lawrence Elementary School.

952 Sec. 542. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
953 subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of section 10-264h of the general
954 statutes, subparagraph (D) of subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of
955 section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, section
956 10-286d of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the State
957 Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services, site
958 acquisition by a related limited liability company shall be an eligible
959 expenditure for the Goodwin College Early Childhood Magnet School
960 (Project Number 542-0002 MAG/N), provided such limited liability
961 company conveys the site to Goodwin College. Such conveyance may
962 be in the form of a lease for a term of not less than twenty years. All
963 other provisions of chapter 173 of the general statutes relating to
964 eligibility for reimbursement of site acquisition costs shall remain
965 applicable to such project.

966 Sec. 543. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
967 subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 10-264h of the general
968 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or
969 the Department of Administrative Services concerning reimbursement
970 to the state by a school district when a school building ceases to be
971 used as an interdistrict magnet school, the Area Cooperative
972 Educational Services (ACES) shall not be responsible for reimbursing
973 the state in an amount received pursuant to section 10-264h of the
974 general statutes and the amount the district would have been eligible

975 to receive based on the percentage determined pursuant to section 10-
976 285a of the general statutes, as amended by this act, multiplied by the
977 estimated eligible project costs for the extension and alteration project
978 at the Collaborative Alternative Magnet School (Project Number 244-
979 0026 MAG/EA).

980 Sec. 544. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions
981 of sections 10-283 and 10-286d of the general statutes or any regulation
982 adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department of
983 Administrative Services pursuant to section 10-283 of the general
984 statutes requiring that the estimated total project costs be made at the
985 time of application for a school building project grant, the Capitol
986 Region Education Council may increase the costs associated with site
987 or site and facility acquisition such that the total estimated project costs
988 are increased for the Museum Academy (Project Number 241-0101) to
989 thirty-three million two hundred sixty-one thousand dollars.

990 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general
991 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or
992 the Department of Construction Services pursuant to section 10-283 of
993 the general statutes limiting the number of times a project may be
994 submitted to the legislature for authorization due to a change in cost or
995 scope, or requiring that no such project that has changed in scope or
996 cost to the degree determined by the commissioner shall be eligible for
997 reimbursement under this chapter unless it appears on such list, the
998 change in cost and scope identified in subsections (a) of this section
999 shall be deemed to have been authorized by the legislature and shall
1000 not be considered when determining the number of times the project is
1001 submitted for authorization by either the Department of Education or
1002 the Department of Administrative Services.

1003 Sec. 545. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
1004 subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10-286 of the general
1005 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or
1006 the Department of Administrative Services concerning projected
1007 enrollment for a school building project for purposes of calculating

1008 eligible costs for a school building project grant, the town of Windsor
1009 Locks may use six hundred as its projected enrollment figure for the
1010 alteration project (Project Number TMP-165-HXCW) at Windsor Locks
1011 High School.

1012 Sec. 546. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
1013 subsection (d) of section 10-286 of the general statutes or any
1014 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department
1015 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-286 requiring all
1016 change orders or other change directives issued on or after July 1, 2008,
1017 to be submitted not later than six months after the date of such
1018 issuance, the town of Hartford may submit change orders issued after
1019 such six-month time limit for the project at R.J. Kinsella Magnet School
1020 (Project Number 064-0292 MAG/E) for reimbursement of eligible costs
1021 from the state, provided change orders have been reviewed and
1022 approved by the Department of Administrative Services.

1023 Sec. 547. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of
1024 subsection (d) of section 10-286 of the general statutes or any
1025 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department
1026 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-286 requiring all
1027 change orders or other change directives issued on or after July 1, 2008,
1028 to be submitted not later than six months after the date of such
1029 issuance, the town of Hartford may submit change orders issued after
1030 such six-month time limit for the project at Capitol Preparatory
1031 Magnet School (Project Number 064-0290 MAG/EA) for
1032 reimbursement of eligible costs from the state, provided change orders
1033 have been reviewed and approved by the Department of
1034 Administrative Services.

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1037 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department
1038 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-286 requiring all
1039 change orders or other change directives issued on or after July 1, 2008,
1040 to be submitted not later than six months after the date of such

1041 issuance, the town of Hartford may submit change orders issued after
 1042 such six-month time limit for the project at Fisher Magnet School
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 1050 change orders or other change directives issued on or after July 1, 2008,
 1051 to be submitted not later than six months after the date of such
 1052 issuance, the town of Hartford may submit change orders issued after
 1053 such six-month time limit for the project at Environmental Sciences
 1054 Magnet School at Mary Hooker (Project Number 064-0293 MAG/EA)
 1055 for reimbursement of eligible costs from the state, provided change
 1056 orders have been reviewed and approved by the Department of
 1057 Administrative Services."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10-282(3)
Sec. 502	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10-283(a)
Sec. 503	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10-283(d)
Sec. 504	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10-284(a)
Sec. 505	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10-285a(a)
Sec. 506	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10-286(a)(1)
Sec. 507	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10-286(c)
Sec. 508	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10-290d
Sec. 509	<i>from passage</i>	10-292q(a)
Sec. 510	<i>from passage</i>	PA 13-243, Sec. 40
Sec. 511	<i>from passage</i>	PA 13-243, Sec. 3(d)
Sec. 512	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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Sec. 516	<i>from passage</i>	PA 12-1 of the June Sp. Sess., Sec. 226
Sec. 517	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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Sec. 533	<i>from passage</i>	PA 07-249, Sec. 30
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